



Testimony of
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- **SB-128 AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SINGLE MUNICIPAL WEB PORTAL**

Given the ongoing budget challenges facing municipalities, Connecticut must help small towns utilize new technologies to reduce costs and deliver programs and services more efficiently.

The Connecticut Council of Small Towns (COST) therefore **supports efforts to enhance Internet access and assist towns in using new technologies.**

SB-128 calls for the state to develop a single web portal to assist towns in using technology to provide services. This would be helpful to ensure that towns can access information on how to best incorporate technology into town halls to better serve the public.